

STIPULATION

RE: Docket No. 2008-31-C - Application of dPi Teleconnect, LLC for Certification as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier

dPi Teleconnect, LLC ("dPi Teleconnect") is a certificated CLEC that offers local exchange service and meets the facilities requirements identified in 47 CFR 54.201(f) for universal service funding by leasing the physical components of the telecommunications network necessary to provide the nine services identified in 47 CFR 54.201(d)(1) through its Commercial Agreements with BellSouth. In addition, dPi Teleconnect agrees to advertise the availability of supported services using media of general distribution.

The federal USF provides support to four programs, each administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC"): 1) financial support to carriers serving high cost areas; 2) the E-rate program, which provides discounted services (local and long distance telephone service, Internet access, and internal connection) to eligible schools and libraries; 3) assistance to low income consumers (discounted installation and monthly telephone services); and 4) discounted service to rural health care providers.

dPi Teleconnect has requested ETC designation in wire centers located throughout, the service area of BellSouth/AT&T South Carolina, a non-rural carrier. Additionally, dPi Teleconnect has limited its requested USF support to the federal USF low income support program. dPi Teleconnect certifies that all low income USF funding it receives will be used to provide a credit to its Lifeline and Link-up eligible customers, consistent with 47 CFR 54.403. Additionally, dPi Teleconnect agrees to offer Lifeline packages and Link-up service consistent with the rates, terms, and conditions contained in its tariff and will publish the availability of these same services on its website.

dPi Teleconnect agrees to include in its quarterly Service Quality Report the number and justification of applications held for more than 30 days and the number and justification of applications that were denied. dPi will only seek direct low income support from the Federal Universal Service Fund for those lines provided through the use of its own facilities or through a combination of its own facilities and the leased facilities of another carrier. dPi Teleconnect also agrees to report quarterly the percentage of consumers offered Lifeline via resale versus commercial agreements.

Until modified by the Commission, dPi Teleconnect agrees to utilize TANF, Food Stamps, and Medicaid as the qualifying criteria for Lifeline and Link-up service throughout the BellSouth service territory.

dPi Teleconnect agrees to provide Lifeline customers an additional \$3.50 credit in order that the federal matching monies can be maximized. This will yield a Lifeline credit of \$13.50 per month which is consistent with the credit offered throughout BellSouth service area.

dPi Teleconnect agrees that it will abide by all advertising, reporting and verification requirements established by the FCC and Commission.

Should dPi Teleconnect seek designation as an ETC for high cost support, dPi Teleconnect will file an additional and separate application with the Commission that addresses all applicable state and federal laws, rules and regulations, including, but not limited to, an appropriate build-out plan that includes the use of its own facilities in addition to those obtained through commercial agreements to provide services to unserved areas.

dPi Teleconnect shall submit a two-year plan that describes the carrier's plans for advertising and outreach programs for identifying, qualifying and enrolling eligible participants in the Lifeline and Link Up programs.

dPi Teleconnect shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws, rules, and regulations regarding ETC designation and reporting requirements. More specifically, dPi Teleconnect agrees to abide by the Commission regulations regarding designation of an eligible telecommunications carrier to become effective May 23, 2008. dPi Teleconnect also agrees to abide by the Commission regulations to be finalized regarding annual reporting requirements.

dPi Teleconnect represents that should any outstanding litigation liabilities become immediately due, that the payment of those liabilities will not impair dPi Teleconnect from continuing its operations and providing service to its South Carolina customers.

dPi Teleconnect further represents that any amount of money in dispute pursuant to pending litigation is not a material amount relative to its monthly revenues.

ORS does not oppose the application of dPi Teleconnect for certification as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

In the event ORS conducts cross-examination of dPi Teleconnect, such cross-examination shall not be inconsistent with the agreed upon terms contained herein.

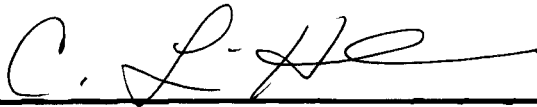
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May 22, 2008

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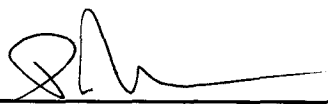
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This is to certify that I, Pamela J. McMullan, have this date served one (1) copy of the **STIPULATION** in the above-referenced matter to the person(s) named below by causing said copy to be deposited in the United States Postal Service, first class postage prepaid and affixed thereto, and addressed as shown below:

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